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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 3-11-47

Call letters, W G P A

Station location: Bethlehem, Pa.

CHADWICK BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 10-27-78 EFF: 12-5-78) /
x THE HOLT CORPORATION OF PENNSYLVANIA, INC. (AL 12-27-72 EFF: 1-12-73)
x A.B.E. BROADCASTING CO. (AL-12-14-62; EFF: 1-1-63)

Name of licensee x THE BETHLEHEM'S GLOBE PUBLISHING COMPANY

Jennings and Market Sts., Bethlehem, Pa. (BP 11-6-64)
x 9th Ave. at intersection with Dell St., approx. 0.8 miles Northwest
Transmitter location of center of Bethlehem, Penna. (MP 8-8-46)

ZIP 18015

Main studio location 426 Broadhead St., Bethlehem, Penna. (MP 8-8-46)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No. | Date Issued | Freq. | Power | Time Div. | Period From - To |
|-------------------------|---|--|-------|--------------|--|
| B2-P-4170 Letter | 3-27-46 6-7-46 C.P. for new station granted subject to filing MP for approval of T site and antenna | 1100 | 250w | Daytime | |
| B2-P-4170 B2-MP-1921 | 8-8-46 Mod. C.P. (4170) for change in type of T, approval of antenna and T and S sites | 1100 | 250w | Daytime | 10-8 4-8-47 |
| B2-P-4170 B2-MP-1921 | 8-8-46 Mod. C.P. (4170) for change type T, approval of antenna and T and S sites - Superseding CP to revise operation schedule | 1100 | 250w | Daytime | 10-8 4-8-47 |
| BL-2307 BZ-2120 | 3-11-47 Lic. to cover CP (4170 as mod.) for new station and determine operating power by direct method | 1100 | 250w | Daytime | 3-11 5-1-48 |
| BR-1635 | 4-14-48 | 1100 | 250w | D | 5-1 5-1-51 |
| BR-1635 | 4-25-51 | Extension of license | | | 5-1 9-1-51 |
| BR-1635 | 8-24-51 | Extension of license | | | 9-1 12-1-51 |
| BR-1635 | 11-28-51 | Extension of license | | | 12-1 3-1-52 |
| BR-1635 | 5-21-52 | Extension of license | | | 6-1 9-1-52 |
| Telegram | 8-20-52 | Action on renewal deferred | | | 8-13-53 and continued operation auth. until final determination on renewal |
| BR-1463 | 9-10-52 | 1100 kc | 250w | Daytime | 9-10-52 8-1-54 |
| BR-1463 | 7-28-54 | Renewal of license to | | | 8-1 8-1-57 |
| BRC-584 (1) | 11-24-54 | Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 426 Brodhead Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania | | | |
| BR-1463 | 7-11-57 | 1100kc | 250w | Daytime | 8-1 8-1-60 |
| HTC-2686 EFF: | 12-20-57 12-22-57 | Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corp. by Pauline Adams thru purchase of stock from David Brillhart, Evelyn W. Brothers, et al, by the licensee corporation and the retirement thereof. | | | |
| HTC-2686 EFF: | 7-6-60 | Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Holland L. Adams and Pauline P. Adams, individually and as trustees to Pauline P. Adams and David Brillhart, Evelyn W. Brothers, et al, by the licensee corporation and the retirement thereof. | | | |

Form BC 126

June 1954

#2

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters W C P A

Station location Bethlehem, Pennsylvania
1a

Name of licensee see card #1

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No. | Date Issued | Freq. | Power | Time Div. | Period From To |
|-------------------|---|---|-------|--------------|-------------------|
| BR-1463 | 7-20-60 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE | | | 8-1 8-1-63 |
| BAL-4671 EFF: | 12-14-62 1-1-63 | Voluntary assignment of license to A.B.E. Broadcasting Co. | | | |
| BR-1463 | 7-31-63 | 1100kc. | 250w | Day | 8-1 8-1-66 |
| BP-16,312 | 11-6-64 | 1100kc | 250 w | Day | 1-6 7-6-65 |
| | CP to change antenna-transmitter location from 8th Ave. at intersec. with Dell St., approx. 0.8 mi. NW of center of Bethlehem, Penn to Jennings and Market Streets, Bethlehem, Pa. | | | | |
| BMP-11,534 (1) | 6-25-65 | Mod. of CP (BP-16,312) for extension of completion date to 9-6-65. | | | |
| BMP-11,598 (2) | 9-24-65 | Mod. of CP (BP-16,312, as mod.) for extension of completion date to 11-1-65. | | | |
| BL-11,115 | 11-19-65 | 1100kc | 250w | Day | 11-19 8-1-66 |
| | Lic to cover CP (BP-16,312 as mod) which auth chg ant-trans loc. | | | | |
| BR-1463 | 7-29-66 | Renewal of license | | | 8-1 8-1-69 |
| STC-5303 EFF: | 4-21-67 5-23-67 | Voluntary transfer of control of lic. corp. from Pauline H. Adams, as Voting Co-Trustee, to George L. Roehr, as Voting Co-Trustee. | | | |
| BR-1463(S) | 8-29-69 | RENEW & NDPA | | | 8-1-72 |
| EBSA | 5-25-72 | | | | |
| BR-1463(S) | 7-31-72 | RENEWAL | | | 8-1-75 |
| BAL-7709 | 12-27-72 | VOL. | AL | EFF: 1-12-73 | |
| Mailgram | 11-11-74 | Transmitter VANGUARD 1 installed (Main) | | | |
| BR-1463(L) | 11-17-75 | RENEWAL | | | 8-1-78 |
| BR-1463(S) | 7-12-78 | RENEWAL | | | 8-1-81 |
| BAL780901EM | 10-27-78 | VOL. | AL | EFF: 12-5-78 | |

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call W G P A
 Letters X New

Name THE BETHLEHEM'S GLOBE PUBLISHING COMPANY

(P.O. 202 West 4th St., Bethlehem, Pa.)

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|-----------|---------|---|------------------------|---------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| B2-P-4170 | 10-1-45 | Construction Permit for a new standard broad- | GRANTED | 3-27-46 |
| Rec'd | 10-3-45 | cast station to be operated on: | subject to filing MP | |
| Filed | 10-3-45 | Frequency: 1100 kc | for approval of T site | |
| | | Power: 250w | and antenna | |
| | | Hours of Operation: Daytime | Letter | 6-7-46 |
| | | Trans. & Studio Locations: To be determined, | Issued with MP-1921 | |
| | | Bethlehem, Pa. | | |
| | | (Filed by Ralph L. Walker, Atty.; Ronald H. | | |
| | | Culver, Engr.) | | |

W.E. 451-A-1 Transmitter

Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

#2

Call

Letters W G P AName THE BETHLEHEMS' GLOBE PUBLISHING COMPANY

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|------------|---------|---|---------|--------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| B2-MP-1921 | 5-15-46 | Mod. of C.P. (B2-P-4170, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for change in type of transmitter (RCA BTA-250-L), approval of antenna, and approval of transmitter and studio locations at 8th. Ave. at Intersection With Dell St., approximately 0.8 miles Northwest of Center of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and 426 Brodhead St., Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, respectively. | GRANTED | 8-3-46 |
| Rec'd | 5-16-46 | | | |
| Filed | 5-16-46 | | | |
| | | (Filed by Ralph L. Walker, Atty.) Ronald H. Culver, Engr. | | |

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

#3

Call

Letters W C P AName THE BETHLEHEM'S GLOBE PUBLISHING COMPANY

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BL-2307 Rec'd Filed | 2-4-47 2-4-47 2-4-47 | License to cover C.P. (B2-P-4170, as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station and Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. | GRANTED | 3-11-47 |
| BZ-2120 Rec'd Filed | 2-4-47 2-4-47 2-4-47 | | | |
| BR-1463 Rec'd | 2-18-48 3-1-48 | Renewal of license Filed by Robert E. Hodson atty. | Granted | 4-14-48 |
| BR-1463 Rec'd | 2-23-51 2-28-51 | Renewal of license filed by Ralph L. Walker, Attn'y. | Docket No. 10137 for reconsideration and grant Order September 10, 1952 | Granted petition |
| BR-1463 Rec'd Filed | 4-28-54 4-30-54 4-30-54 | Renewal of license Filed by Ralph L. Walker, Atty. | GRANTED | 7-28-54 |

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

Call
Letters WGPAName THE BETHLEHEMS' GLOBE PUBLISHING COMPANY
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BRC-584 | 11-12-54 | Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 426 Brodhead Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania Ralph L. Walker, Atty. | GRANTED | 11-24-54 |
| Rec'd | 11-15-54 | | | |
| Filed | 11-15-54 | | | |
| BR- 1463 | 5-2-57 | Renewal of license Ralph L. Walker, Atty. | GRANTED | 7-11-57 |
| Rec'd | 5-3-57 | | | |
| Filed | 5-3-57 | | | |
| ETC-2686 | 12-13-57 | Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by Mrs. Pauline Adams thru purchase of stock from David Brillhart, Evelyn W. Brothers, et al, by the licensee corporation and the retirement thereof. Ralph L. Walker, Atty. | GRANTED EFF: | 12-20-57 12-27-57 |
| Rec'd | 12-16-57 | | | |
| Filed | 12-16-57 | | | |

FORM BC-121 #5
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters W G P A

A.B.E. BROADCASTING CO.
X THE BETHLEHEMS' GLOBE PUBLISHING COMPANY
Name Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BR-1463 Rec'd Filed | 4-25-60 4-28-60 4-28-60 | Renewal of License. Ralph L. Walker, Atty. | GRANTED | 7-20-60 |
| BTC-3453 Rec'd Filed | 5-12-60 5-18-60 5-18-60 | Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Rolland L. Adams and Pauline H. Adams, Individually and as Trustees to Pauline H. Adams and Girard Trust Corn Exchange Bank as Trustees thru corporate reorganization. Ralph L. Walker, Atty. | GRANTED | 7-6-60 |
| BAL-4671 Rec'd Filed | 11-12-62 11-27-62 11-27-62 | Voluntary assignment of license to A.B.E. Broadcasting Co. Robert E. Hodson, Atty. | GRANTED: EFF: | 12-14-62 1-1-63 |

FORM BC-121

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

AUG. 1955

CARD # 6

Call
Letters W G P AName A.B.E. BROADCASTING CO.
BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|----------------------|-------------------|--|---------------|-------------------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| BR-1463 R & F | 4-30-63 5-1-63 | Renewal of License Robert E. Hodson, Atty. | GRANTED | 7-31-63 |
| BP-16,312 R. & F. | 7-29-64 8-4-64 | CP to change antenna-transmitter location from 8th Ave. at intersec. with Dell St., Approx. 0.8 mi. NW of center of Bethlehem, Penn. to Jennings and Market Streets, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; delete remote control operation of transmitter. | GRANTED | 11-6-64 |
| Amended | 11-6-64 | Amended to request Remote Control. | | |
| BMP-11,534 R&F | 6-9-65 6-11-65 | Mod. of C.P. (BP-16,312 which auth. chng. ant.-trans. loc.) for extension of completion date from 7-6-65 to 9-6-65. Atty: Pierson, Ball & Dowd | GRANTED to | 6-25-65 9-6-65 |

FORM BC-121

Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters W G P AName A.B.E. BROADCASTING CO.
Bethlehem, Penn.

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--|-----------------|-----------------------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| BMP-11,598 R&F | 8-19-65 8-26-65 | Mod. of C.P. (BP-16,312, as mod. which auth. chng. ant-trans. loc and antenna location) for extension of completion date from 9-6-65 to 10-6-65. Atty: Pierson, Ball and Dowd | GRANTED | 9-24-65 to 11-1-65 |
| BL-11,115 R & F | 10/2/65 10/5/65 | Lic. to cover CP (BP-16,312 as mod.) which auth. chng. ant.-trans. loc. Attys: Pierson, Ball & Dowd | GRANTED | 11-19-65 |
| BR-1463 R & F | 4-26-66 5-3-66 | Renewal of license Atty. Pierson, Ball & Dowd (Robert Hodson) | GRANTED | 7-29-66 |
| BTC-5303 R & F (Form 316) | 3-7-67 3-28-67 | Voluntary transfer of control of lic. corp. from Pauline H. Adams, as Voting Co-Trustee, to George L. Roehr, as Voting Co-Trustee Atty - Pierson, Ball & Dowd | GRANTED EFF: | 4-21-67 5-23-67 |

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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1100kc

THE HOLT CORPORATION OF PENNSYLVANIA, INC.

Call
Letters W G F A

X A.B.E. BROADCASTING CO.

Name
BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|--|-------------------------------|--|--|----------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| BR-1463 R & F #511836 \$75 PRESS | 4-29-69 5-2-69 5-2-69 | Renewal of license Atty-Pierson, Ball & Dowd (Robert E. Hodson) AMENDED 8-13-69 re: Programming | GRANTED | 8-29-69 |
| BR-1463 R & F P.N. PRESS MAY 30 1972 | 4-21-72 5-2-72 5-2-72 | Renewal of License Atty: Robert E. Hodson AMENDED 7-14-72 re: equal employment policy | GRANTED | 7-31-72 |
| BAL- 7709 Rec'd Filed Code 047, #115385, \$1,000 Form 314 13 001 372 Pub. notice filed 10-18-72 | 9-29-72 10-3-72 10-3-72 | Voluntary assignment of license to The Holt Corporation of Pennsylvania, Inc. William S. Green, Atty - Assignor Stein and Mitchell, Attys-Assignee AMENDED 12-6-72 - bank ltr re loan AMENDED 12-21-72 - security agreement | GRANTED Req. Grant Fee \$ 5,300.00 (INCLUDE FM) EFF: 1-12-73 pd 063 5-16-73 W285745 | 12-27-72 |
| THE COMMISSION on 10-30-74 notified licensee that it has incurred an apparent liability of \$2000 forfeiture for willful or repeated violation of Sec. 73.112(a)(2)(i) & 73.119.(a) of the Rules and 317(a) of the Communications Act. | | | | |

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Form BC-121

September 1969

8-47

Call
Letters W G P A

CHADWICK BROADCASTING COMPANY

Name ~~xx~~ THE HOLT CORPORATION OF PENNSYLVANIA, INC.,
BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|----------------------|------------------------|---|-----------------|---------------------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| BR-1463 | 3-7-75 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE | GRANTED | 11-17-75 |
| R & F | 3-19-75 | Jason L. Shrinsky, Atty. | | |
| PN Recd. PRESS | " 24 APR 1976 | AMENDED 7-14-75 re: business interests & prog. | | |
| BR-1463 | 3-13-78 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE | GRANTED | 7-12-78 |
| R & F PRESS | 3-31-78 APR 26 1978 | Jas. M. Weitzman, Atty. | | |
| BAL780901EM | | Vol AL to CHADWICK BROADCASTING COMPANY | GRANTED EFF: | 10-27-78 12-5-78 |
| FORM 314 PN FILED | 10-18-78 | (over) Atty: - Stambler & Shrinsky (J. Weitzman) | | |

BAL780901EM Amended 10-4-78 re: revised Plan of financing.

AMENDED 10-16-78 re: Cert. of Arts.

AMENDED 10-20-78 re: Stock holdings of Sec. II

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WCPA

Name: CHADWICK BROADCASTING COMPANY

Station Location: BETHLEHEM, PA.

| File No. | Date | Description | Action and Date |
|---------------------|------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| BR810327UO PRESS | MAY 6 1981 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Euaawll W. Arkin | <i>aptd. 7-2-81</i> ISSUED |

W G P A - RECORD OF DENIAL OF INFORMAL APPLICATIONS

BS-1463 10-17-47 To opr. from sign-off to end of football games on 10-18, 25, 1947 and Nov. 1, 15, 1947, to broadcast said games, only

BS-1463 11-18-47 To opr. add'l time from 4:45 pm, EST to end of Bethlehem HS-New Castle HS football, game 11-27-47, to broadcast said football game, only.

BS-1463 12-3-47 To opr. add'l time from 6:30 pm, to 7:00 pm, EST on 12-4-47 in order to broadcast a special Christmas program, only.

Wire 10-22-62 Request authority operate beyond sunset to broadcast President Kennedy's speech of 10-22-62.

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file. History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form – 3" by 5" filing cards – for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). The History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above. Generally, they have been left as negatives as those are often easier to read.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

